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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the final Office Action dated May 30, 2008, for which a response was due on August 30, 2008. Filed herewith is a Petition and fee for a one-month extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to September 30, 2008. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

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